

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

~~RECTIFIER~~ CONVERTER CIRCUIT

Please insert the following paragraph before line 2 on page 1 of the above-identified specification.

This application is based on and claims priority to European Application No. 03405558.2, filed on July 23, 2003 and International Application No. PCT/CH2004/000388, filed on June 24, 2004 designating the U.S., the entire contents of both of which are hereby incorporated by reference.